Memorandum of the Meeting Regular Study Session Twenty-Sixth Town Council of Highland Monday, August 9, 2010

The regular study session of the Twenty-Sixth Town Council of the Town of Highland was convened at the regular place, the Highland Municipal, 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana, in the plenary meeting chambers on **Monday**, **August 9**, **2010** at the regular time of 7:20 p.m.

Silent Roll Call: Councilors Dan Vassar, Konnie Kuiper, and Mark A. Herak were present. A quorum was attained. Councilor Zemen was absent owing to a travel commitment. Councilor Novak was absent owing to a work commitment. The Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Kathleen A. Dowling was present to memorialize the proceedings.

Staff present: John M. Bach, Public Works Director.

Others present: Tom Horgash, municipal insurance agent.

General Substance of Matters Discussed

- 1. With leave from the Council President, Mr. Volbrecht offered his admiration that penalties are in place to punish those who skateboard in violation of the Highland Municipal Code. Further, he opined that enforcement must actually take place.
- 2. Mr. Horgash discussed both the historical and current working relationship between himself and Mr. Brown. He indicated that they will continue working together through the end of the year. Mr. Horgash further clarified that he is licensed, has access to all insurance carriers, and would like to continue working for the Town of Highland. It was noted that Mr. Brown is the agent of record with Traveler's Insurance and that the Town Council would need to modify the agent of record if they wish for Mr. Horgash to have access to Traveler's Insurance. Councilor Vassar inquired as to how the "sharing" of policies occurred.

A discussion ensued in reference to the amount of the settlement provided by Traveler's Insurance Company for the two (2) police cars that were a total loss due to two (2) separate at-fault accidents. Council Kuiper expressed his displeasure with the settlement amount that was received for the police vehicles.

- 3. A discussion took place in reference to the request from the Park and Recreation Superintendent for clarification on insurance expenses in excess of the \$2,500 deductible that are paid from the Rainy Day Fund. The inquiry centers around whether or not this policy applies to property damage that is in excess of \$2,500, but less than the \$10,000 deductible for property damage.
- 4. A discussion took place in reference to the 1st meeting in September falling on the Labor Day Holiday. The meeting should be re-scheduled for the 5th Monday in August, the 30th of the month.
- 5. A discussion took place in reference to additional work on a water main on Kennedy Avenue.
- 6. A discussion took place in reference to areas on the bike path that appear to be sinking. Mr. Bach indicated that his staff is researching the owner of the pipeline that is under the areas that are damaged.

7. Mr. Bach discussed the current status of the demolition of the homes adjacent to the Town Hall and various road construction projects. Mr. Bach also discussed the possibility of purchasing an additional leaf vacuum from existing funds available in the Solid Waste Fund.

There being no further business to come before the Town Council, the regular study session of the Town Council, of **Monday**, **August 9**, **2010**, was adjourned 8:35 p.m.

Kathleen A. Dowling Deputy Clerk-Treasurer